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The Real Threat

THERE are unhappy signs that the Suez Canal crisis, far from being resolved in consequence of the creation of a United Nations emergency force and the despatch of its first formations to the area, is in fact becoming more acute and dangerous.

The hostile reception accorded the vanguard of the UN police force plainly indicates that the Egyptians regard them as interlopers, and that they do not intend to recognise or accept their authority. This attitude does not come as a surprise. It merely confirms the doubts originally felt about the ability of the UN forces to be effective. It sustains too the warning sounded when the UN reached its decision that unless the police force could be wholly effective in carrying out its functions, Egypt would be in the position to re-establish herself as a military arsenal.

This is a potential development which not unnaturally makes Britain and France hesitate to withdraw immediately all their forces from the Suez Canal. Once this has been done, and Nasser has imposed the conditions under which no permitted the UN police force to enter Egypt, it will be virtually impossible to stop Egypt from resuming her interrupted collusion with Russia designed in the long run to make the Middle East yet another sphere of Communist influence.

Composing the Palestine dispute is of prime importance; so too is an agreed settlement for the future of the Suez Canal. Nevertheless, to the world generally, the overriding concern is Russia's intention to establish herself as a dominating influence in the Middle East.

To accomplish this Russia is prepared to act as the benevolent patron to any or all of the Arab States. For implementation of her plan she also requires the removal of physical obstructions, such as the presence of Anglo-French troops. And when this has been done, she will support to the hilt Egypt's demand for the withdrawal of the UN police force.

The real threat to world peace lies not so much in the continued presence of Anglo-French forces in Egypt, but to Soviet plans of Middle East conquest after those troops have been withdrawn.

ALLIES WANT 3,000 IN SUEZ

REQUEST TO HAMMARSKJOLD

'PUT PRESSURE ON NASSER' PLEA

Washington, Nov. 22.

Britain and France want the United Nations emergency force to total 3,000 men in the Suez Canal Zone before they complete evacuation of their forces, the United Press learned today.

But Mr Dag Hammarskjold, Secretary-General of the United Nations, appears reluctant to push for Egyptian acceptance of this plan, it is reported here. The force now has less than 1,000 men in the Canal Zone.

British and French officials at advantage in the eyes of world opinion as long as their forces remained in Egypt.

"The presence of British and French troops is the real bottleneck to the effective functioning of the United Nations Emergency Force," he said.

At the same time, he said, Mr Hammarskjold's report yesterday on the emergency force offered the two countries a face-saving opportunity to pull out. He believed there was now a real opportunity to settle the Suez Canal question along the lines suggested by Mr John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State, to "insulate" it from national politics.

But as long as the British and French maintained troops in Egypt, there was no hope of the General Assembly approving a resolution embodying a settlement, the source added.

AMERICA BLAMED

President Eisenhower is reported to be personally angry over the Anglo-French intervention and diplomats said it was significant that neither the British, the French, nor the Australian Foreign Minister was invited to the White House during visits to Washington last week.

High British sources blame the course of events of Americans' failure to keep her two major allies fully informed on policy. Britain is known to have been especially incensed at Mr Dulles' failure to confer in advance on the decision to drop the offer of financial aid for the Aswan Dam project last July.

Britain and France are understood to feel now at even greater disadvantage since their dealings with the United States have continued to contact with Mr Herbert Hoover, Acting Secretary of State, who, diplomats said, must still be regarded as something of a stranger in their midst.—United Press & China Mail Special.

CHILDREN KILLED

Port Said, Nov. 22. Two Egyptian children were shot dead yesterday during demonstrations, which marked the arrival of the first units of the international police force in Port Said, a British military spokesman said today.

An autopsy established that the children, aged 12 and 14, had been shot through the heart, the spokesman said.

French informed sources said that the military authorities did not exclude the possibility that the children might have been assassinated for political purposes, in order to produce a toll of victims.

Port Said, meanwhile, was calm today. The Franco-British troops, who were consigned to barracks following yesterday's incidents, have been instructed not to be seen with the Norwegian soldiers of the U.N. police force, so as not to compromise their neutrality.

ARRESTS MADE

Another Port Said report quoting a British military spokesman said today that members of the Moslem Brotherhood were being arrested here "every day."

He spokesman told a press conference that the Brotherhood had launched a para-military underground movement and had large supplies of arms and ammunition hidden.

Caches of guns and ammunition were being found daily.

He accused the Brotherhood of inciting crowds here yesterday following the arrival of the first contingent of United Nations soldiers.—UPI.

RAF Plane Crash

Singapore, Nov. 22. A Royal Air Force Vulture transport aircraft crashed in the mountains of Highland, west of Kuching, Sarawak, yesterday. All four crew members were killed.

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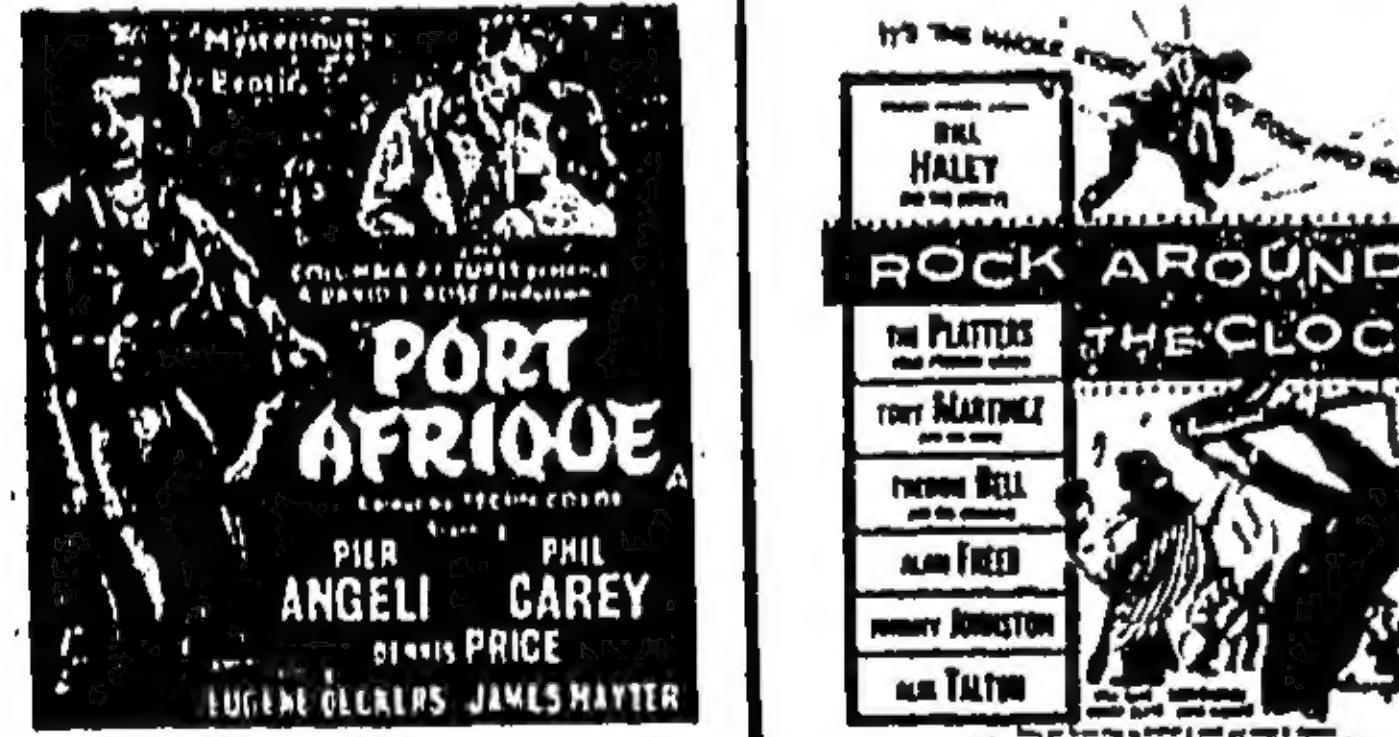


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UNITED NATIONS NEGLECT REASON FOR SUEZ CRISIS

Only Effects Discussed

New York, Nov. 22. M. Christian Pineau, French Foreign Minister, said here today his government regretted that the United Nations "considered the Suez problem more important, more urgent and more serious than the Hungarian problem."

Speaking in the general debate of the General Assembly, M. Pineau said the effects of the Suez crisis "were discussed at length whereas its causes were always neglected and no provision was made to prevent the recurrence of these causes."

The French Foreign Minister said that certain votes had "shocked" us.

Friendly Countries

"We are not referring to those east by the Soviet Union and the countries known as 'satellites,' which have never shown much respect for the United Nations, but to those east by friendly countries, from which we might have expected as far as Hungary is concerned, a very different attitude," he said.

"The UN must decide to impose its decisions on everyone, or resign itself to impose them on no one."

The French Foreign Minister said that from the differences in attitude among governments, as

RUBBER TAPPERS MEETING

Kuala Lumpur, Nov. 22. The first biennial delegates conference of the National Union of Plantation Workers which begins here next Monday is to discuss a resolution that employers declare a common day of rest each week for the union's 320,000 members.

The conference will also discuss a resolution calling for a change in the present wage structure for plantation workers, it was announced.

The resolution says that there should be basic wage, including cost of living allowances, and a sliding scale bonus to be fixed from time to time according to the price of rubber.—Reuter.

Argentine Army Chief

Buenos Aires, Nov. 22. Argentine Defence Minister General Arturo Ossorio Arana has taken over the duties of Commander-in-Chief of the army while remaining Defence Minister, a Ministry communiqué announced today.

The communiqué also said that General Luis Carlos Buesatti had been named Chief of the Army's General Staff, while General Miguel Villarreal was made commander of the cavalry and General Fernando Hugo commander of the First Motorised Division. — France-Press.

3. Trying to protect the Suez Canal zone (through force of circumstances, it was impossible to prevent Egypt from blocking the Canal without any justification on military grounds and contrary to the Convention of 1888).

4. Attempting to avert Soviet intervention which for several months had taken the form of massive shipments of all types of weapons and which might ultimately have resulted in the outbreak of a world war.—Reuter.

5. The necessity of taking into account the actual facts and the impotence of the UN in the Middle East.

6. Avoiding any fundamental discrimination between the Arab countries and Israel, without, however, forgetting the threats so often uttered by President Nasser.

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Shepilov Links Suez And Hungary

POPE ILL



POPE PIUS XII

Vatican City, Nov. 22. Pope Pius XII today was suffering from a slight attack of grippe. The Pope's condition, however, was not considered at all serious.

Several days ago, the Pope underwent an examination by Dr Antonio Busbarri, who treated the Pope during his serious illness two years ago. Dr Busbarri said he was relatively satisfied with the Pope's health.

The Pope's aides have attempted to persuade him to cut down the number of his audiences, but he has refused to do so.—France-Press.

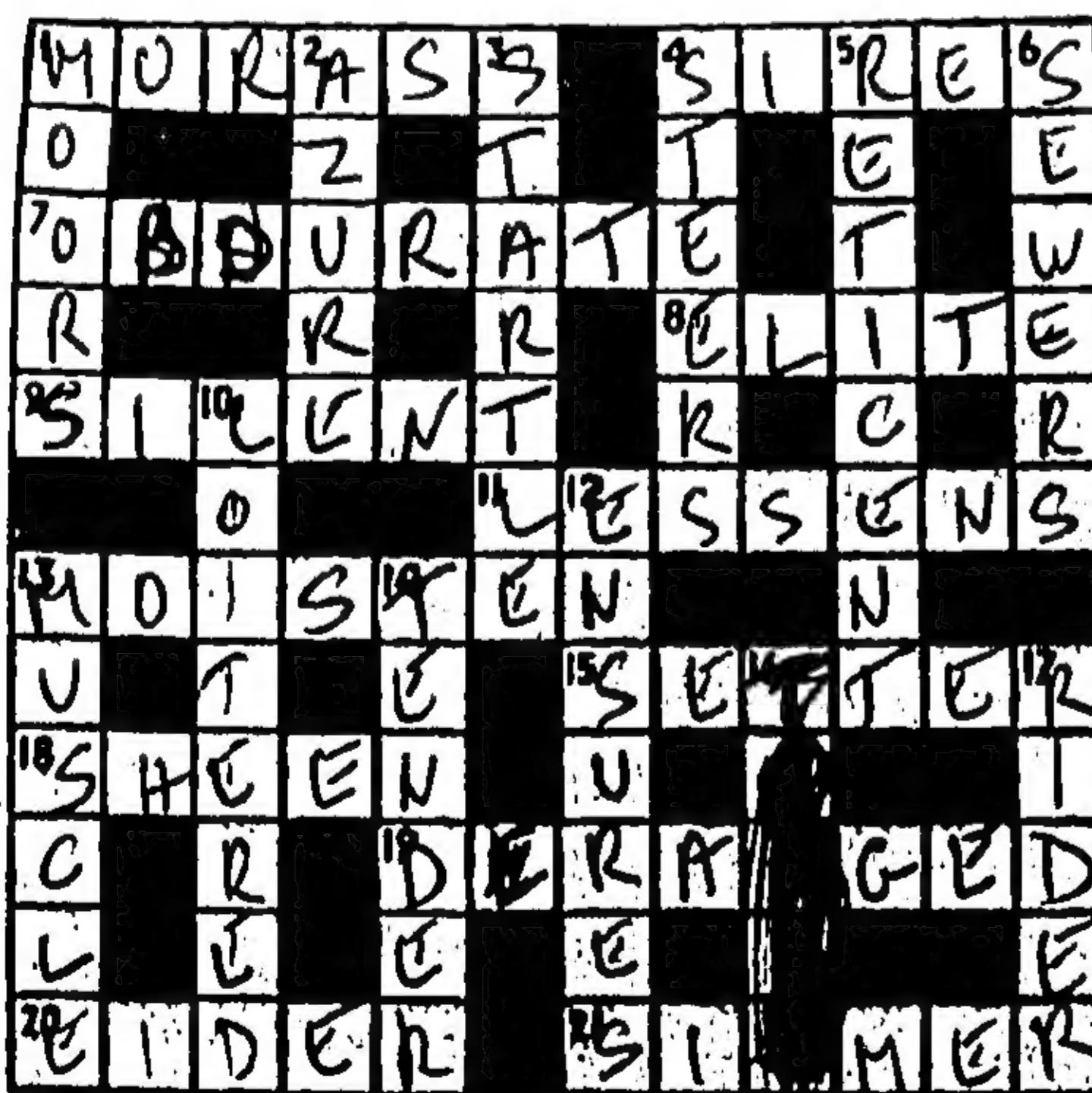
MERMAID RUMOUR

Alor Star, Nov. 22. Persistent rumours that a mermaid had been caught off the Langkawi Islands, Northern Malaya, and taken to Alor Star Hospital brought a number of curious visitors to the hospital all this week.

The bewildered hospital staff had to tell callers who wanted to see the mermaid: "We haven't any such patient in the hospital."

The Langkawi Islands were visited by the Duke of Edinburgh during his Malayan tour.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- Bog (5).
- Ancestors (6).
- Stubborn (5).
- The chosen people (5).
- Noiseless (5).
- Diminutive (7).
- Make damn (7).
- Sporting dog (6).
- Gloss (5).
- Became gloomy (8).
- Duck (5).
- Bell (6).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Ape, 4. Reveals, 8. Pool, 9. Sun, 10. Migration, 11. Epic, 12. Role, 14. Tugger, 17. Blush, 19. Dense, 22. Treated, 23. Need, 27. Vent, 28. Curtains, 29. Ideas, 30. Seven, 31. Horizons, 33. Date, 35. Devil, 36. Petrol, 37. Spread, 4. Remit, 5. Blush, 6. Envoy, 7. Lashes, 12. Root, 18. Tug, 19. Frame, 20. Speed, 23. Devil, 24. Envoy, 25. Denote.

CLAIMS EPISODES PART OF SAME PLAN

United Nations, Nov. 22. Soviet Foreign Minister, Dimitri Shepilov, speaking in the resumed general debate in the United Nations General Assembly, said that the "aggression against Egypt and the Fascist coup in Hungary" were "episodes of the same plan which aimed at persecuting peoples and returning to the colonialist era."

He said that a victory of the "reactionary forces" in Hungary would have shown dangerous seeds of war in Europe. It was the first time since the second world war that "underground Fascist forces" had launched a challenge to the Democratic force in an attempt to seize power by violence," Shepilov said.

Agent Provocateur

The Soviet Foreign Minister described himself as an "agent provocateur in the pay of the French and British."

Tales of a Communist plot in the Middle East were like a Hollywood scenario, he said.

Shepilov regretted that the United States had refused to accept the Soviet Union's offer of co-operation "in putting an end to the aggression."

He said that Soviet offers to help Egypt through the intermediary of the United Nations had been distorted and presented as expressing a desire of the Soviet Union to work for its own ends in the Middle East against the interests of the Western powers.

Shepilov said that the "French-British aggression" had been blocked by "the heroic Egyptian people," backed up by world public opinion.

Egypt's example would "inspire all peoples fighting for their freedom and independence."

Demand Evacuation

The Soviet Foreign Minister said that according to Egyptian reports, the Franco-British forces at Port Said, far from being withdrawn, were being reinforced.

"As long as troops of the aggressors remain in Egypt, war may break out," he said.

"The Soviet delegation thinks that the General Assembly should imperatively demand the complete evacuation of Egypt by British, French and Israeli troops."

Shepilov protested against what he termed "Israel's annexationist designs" on Gaza, the Sinai peninsula and the islands of Tiran and Suez.

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United Nations to help Egypt through the intermediary of the United Nations and not of the Soviet Union to work for its own ends in the Middle East against the interests of the Western powers.

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Rejected Theory

Shepilov presented to the Assembly the disarmament plan and proposal for a conference of the Big Four powers plus India, announced in Moscow last Friday.

Declaring that the problem of disarmament was urgent, Shepilov rejected the "pseudo-realistic theory, according to which peace can be founded only on the balance of the great powers in an armaments race."

The Soviet Minister deplored what he called the "illegal embargo" on trade with China. He proposed that an international economic conference, with the participation of all countries, be held in 1957, to study problems of the development of world trade, the setting up of a world trade organisation, and aid to under-developed countries.

Set A Date

He said that the Soviet Union was meanwhile prepared to contribute to the special United Nations fund for economic development.

Calling for the abolition of colonialism, Shepilov suggested that the General Assembly set a date for the granting of independence to all countries under trusteeship. — France-Press.

Franco-Libyan Agreement

Paris, Nov. 22.

The French National Assembly today approved the ratification of the Franco-Libyan treaty by a vote of 411 to 120.

By the provisions of the treaty the territory of Fezzan, occupied by France during the war would be returned to Libya.

An amendment to the original text was also passed by a vote of 433 to 150, providing that the instruments of ratification of the treaty would not be deposited until after the demarcation of the frontier between Algeria and Libya.

The ratification bill has yet to be passed by the Senate.

TIGHT SQUEEZE

Wellington, Nov. 22.

A sixteen-year-old youth escaped from custody when he squeezed through a window in the window of a police station.

The boy, who had been remanded to the youth court, was to be tried for the attempted escape.

BELGIAN PRINCES ATTEND SERVICE



Prince Albert and Prince Alexander, sons of King Leopold of Belgium, attend a service at St. Michel Church, Brussels, for a Te Deum service.

UN PLAN TO FIGHT LOCUST MENACE

Rome, Nov. 22.

Plans are underway today to set up a co-ordinating centre for a veteran United Nations police force in the Middle East for the past five years battling against a biblical enemy of man — the deadly desert locust.

The UN Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO) said here today that a co-ordinating centre for its desert locust

operations was being planned for setting up in the ancient town of Addis Ababa in Ethiopia.

FAO's desert locust operations has a 21-nation alliance. They support a million-dollar field army of "staff officers" and regiments of "piston-spray equipped" troops" on the alert to crush these food-destroying insects in any spot from Africa through to Asia.

In Addition

FAO said that the Addis Ababa centre would be in addition to the organisation's centre at Jidda in Saudi Arabia, which at present co-ordinates the international campaign against the locust in the Arabian peninsula.

The new Addis Ababa centre will co-ordinate operations in parts of the Sudan, Ethiopia, Kenya and the various Somal regions. These territories are most frequently infested by the insatiable locusts.

The agency said that a rehabilitation commission under the auspices of the Sailors Union and made up of representatives of the Ministries of Justice, Navigation and Interior, as well as representatives of the Workers Party had been set up.

FAO said that locust swarms of this year's first autumn migration from the summer breeding areas in the Sudan and French Equatorial Africa were quickly located by field spotting units of the anti-locust army.

Swarms were also reported in Algeria, Morocco, Ethiopia, the Spanish Sahara and Yemen. Foliage-spray equipped forces stationed in Yemen have already attacked the locust menace, FAO said. The Yemen Government granted \$10,000 for desert locust control this year.

FAO said that eight countries are contributing a million dollars supporting the UN desert locust operations army, they include France, Lebanon, Italy, Turkey, United Kingdom, Bahrain, Kuwait and Qatar.

The Soviet Union, he said, supported the idea of the special fund for the development of under-developed countries now being discussed at the United Nations, and was prepared to take part in it. — Reuter.

EGYPTIANS EVACUATED

Port Said, Nov. 22.

The first Egyptians to be evacuated from here to the mainland by the British were due to leave today by (olucca (Arab sailing vessel).

They consist of about 40 mothers and small children and a number of sick.

A British spokesman said that about 2,000 Egyptians had agreed to leave Port Said, but only one female is allowed to leave here daily.

Thousands of Egyptians left this city in the first week after the invasion — before, controls were imposed on the movement of people and shipping.

An amendment to the original text was also passed by a vote of 433 to 150, providing that the instruments of ratification of the treaty would not be deposited until after the demarcation of the frontier between Algeria and Libya.

The ratification bill has yet to be passed by the Senate.

Other Nations

Nine other countries (including Saudi Arabia, Egypt, India, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan, Syria and Yemen) are providing combat units to join the army operations.

Equipment, materials and "staff officers" have been contributed by FAO for this year's campaign valued at about \$250,000. — United Press.

Colombian Unit For UN

London, Nov. 22.

Colombia will send 1,000 men to join the United Nations International Middle East police force, the Colombian Embassy in London announced today.

Colombia, the only South American country to fight under the United Nations flag in Korea, will be the first South American state to contribute to the new force.

The first two battalions of the "Colombian battalion" have already arrived in Korea.

Colombia has agreed to contribute a company of 100 men to the International Police Force.

AUSTRIA DENIES SUPPLYING ARMS TO HUNGARIANS

United Nations, Nov. 22. Austria categorically denied today that any arms shipment has crossed the Austrian border into Hungary.

Austrian Foreign Minister Leopold Figl told the General Assembly that his government had not found a "single case" of such shipments of weapons into neighbouring Hungary.

He did not state the origin of allegations of arms shipments from whichever side they may come, must therefore be rejected as unfounded," Figl declared.

The head of the Austrian delegation reaffirmed his country's neutrality policy. But insisted that it is "an armed neutrality" that would be maintained militarily.

Law And Justice

"Should our freedom be attacked," he told the Assembly, "we shall know how to defend Austria's borders. Neutrality for us is dedicated to law and justice, and rejection of force and violence."

Figl appealed to UN members to assist Austria in its mission of caring for some 50,000 refugees from the Russian action in crushing the rebellion in Hungary.

"The handling of refugees is causing formidable expense," he said.

"I therefore appeal to all delegates to urge their government to assist Austria in the discharge of this task and thus to contribute towards alleviating want and deprivation among the refugees."

More refugees are arriving in Austria daily, he added.

In explaining Austria's neutrality policy laid down last year, Figl said the other claim on which his country's foreign policy is based is "intensity of operation within the framework of the international community of states, with all the means at our disposal, for the maintenance of peace."

"Austria's neutrality consists in the obligation, never in the future to enter into any military alliance and, not to permit the establishment of military bases by foreign powers on her territory," he said.

Birds State

"The concept of Austrian neutrality does not include ideological line. Neutrality binds the state merely and not the citizens. The right to free expression of opinion and freedom of the press are guaranteed in the Austrian constitution."

"The Austrian people have given clear proof during the past 10 years that the principles contained in the Declaration of Human Rights are to them not merely words but are a binding obligation."

"Our permanent neutrality is not an international statute dictated to us from outside. It is a foreign policy chosen by the Austrian people in a free and self-reliant decision. Our neutrality is also not an end in itself but a means to an end. This end, which was expressly adhered to in the Federal Constitutional Law, is the maintenance of our independence and inviolability of our territory."

Figl said, in connection with the Hungarian refugee problem, that forced migrations of peoples during this century "certainly do not contribute to the honour and the good name of this so-called century of progress."

800,000 Refugees

He said that 800,000 refugees had crossed the Austrian borders since the end of World War II and that 150,000 of them were still being cared for by the Austrian Government under the Geneva Convention.

"To us Europeans, the tragedies of these peoples of the poor, who have lost their home-land, are very much alive in our memory," he said.

Figl told the Assembly his country would take an active part in efforts to guarantee the peaceful use of atomic energy. He said Austria would "facilitate in every way" the establishment of the seat of the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna.

He reminded delegates that the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra will give a concert in the Assembly Hall on Human Rights Day, December 10.

Serve As Symbol

"Austria will give expression to her solidarity with the United States and with other countries in the struggle for peace, justice and freedom," he said. "Music, like harmony, is the greatest force for the cohesion of the international community of peoples which represent the world."

United Press.

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THEY JUMP FOR JOY—AND SOME EXTRA CASH

By DAVID MARSH

"All right? Go!" A smart tap on the back, and the young man vanishes, jumping into space through a small door in the side of a balloon car suspended 800 feet up.

He wasn't alone in the balloon car. There is the "dispatcher," and one more man waiting to jump—and me.

Below us the world swings crazily. The most important thing in my life at this moment seems to be the balloon above the car in which I am standing.

For it is the only thing which prevents the "dispatcher," and the man walking to jump, and myself, from plunging 800 feet to the airport below.

Why am I up here? I have come to see how the men of a rather special branch of Britain's Territorial Army spend their Saturday afternoons and evenings—the Paratroops.

I arrived at the airport well before the jumping was due to begin, because I wanted to get a few facts and figures.

£1 Per Jump

I SPOKE to a regimental sergeant-major, one of the few regular army soldiers serving with the Territorial battalion which I was visiting.

"We are expecting anything up to a hundred men this afternoon," he said.

I asked him whether paratroopers are really paid a bonus for jumping.

"The Territorial Army men get £1 a jump for their first three jumps in a year, and ten shillings each for their next four jumps," he explained.

He also told me that paratroopers rarely keep their parachutes won't open.

"And if they are frightened, that fear has usually been brought on by some such circumstance as a 'hangover' from too much beer the night before

if they happen to have been on the spot," he added with a twinkle in his eye.

Most of the men having arrived, parachutes were drawn and I found myself one of a party which included the battalion adjutant, also a regular soldier. I asked him if I would be allowed to jump, (should I wish to).

"Nobody can jump without training," he told me, but he permitted me to go up in the balloon car and watch the experts "perform."

Reserve Chutes

SOMEBODY helped me on with my parachutes—a 45-pounder on my back and a reserve chute weighing 18 pounds on my chest. This was in my case, of course.

The reserve chutes were being used for the first time by this battalion to bring it into line with NATO forces.

As I lined up to have my mass of straps, buckles and release gear inspected, I noticed that the balloon was going up.

"The chief parachute jumping instructor is going to make a test descent to see everything is all right," the adjutant informed me.

Later, as I watched the door of the balloon car, something suddenly dropped from it, dark against the sky. There was a streak of white behind it, and I realised it was the instructor with an open parachute above him drifting towards the earth.

I arrived at the airport well before the jumping was due to begin, because I wanted to get a few facts and figures.

I signed an indemnity form, saying that in the event of my death or injury, neither my relatives nor myself would hold the Army or Air Councils or their employees responsible.

Then we were off.

I was going up with the sixth "stick" or party, and four "sticks" had already dropped when we arrived at the balloon winch lorry. But the wind became too gusty—Territorial Army troops cannot jump in a wind stronger than 15 miles per hour—and we had to wait.

I was told stories of men who have "fibbed" (refused to jump), and another about a man whose chute became wrapped around the balloon cable. He lived, however.

The men jump from the sheer joy of it, I am told, and only very few for the bonus money.

Into Space

FINALLY we were allowed to go. A last inspection, then "left turn and follow me," and we were in the balloon car. It had a wooden floor, canvas sides, and a couple of rails to hang on to.

"Two men jumping, 800 feet," calls the dispatcher to the winch operator. He repeats the order, and our static lines booked up mine only "in case of accidents"—we are all.

The ground drops rapidly away under my ears, and every thing seems very insecure, and the floor slopes steeply towards the exit door.

The first man to jump is in position. He shuts his eyes and clenches his fists.

"All right? Go!"

The dispatcher taps him on the back and the man steps into space.

"Phew! His chute opens 140 feet below us. In about forty seconds," the dispatcher informs me, "he will be on the ground."

And from what I have seen, he will soon be waiting impatiently for his next turn to go up—and to come down again.

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Tomorrow's Chances At The Valley

By "RAPIER"

Race day will be round again tomorrow, it being the first day of the Hongkong Jockey Club's two-day Fourth Race Meeting with a programme consisting of eight events with the two sections of the Brighton Handicap for Class 4 ponies as the main attraction.

The First Saddling Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the opening event is scheduled for 2 p.m. The Meeting continues on Saturday, December 1, when there will also be eight races with the main event being the St Andrew's Stakes over the two-mile post for Class 5 ponies.

Followers of Chun Kit will regret to learn that he is in hospital after an operation for appendicitis on Tuesday and will not be able to ride in the next few meetings.

Here are my estimates of the chances:

FIRST RACE

(Powerstown Handicap, 1½ Miles)

The morning race of the day is confined to Class 7 ponies to be ridden by riders who have not won ten races anywhere at any time.

Dutch Courage is coming up to winning a race and should help never jockey Lai Chuan (in to add up another win to his credit).

Even Success (C. E. Ng), Guy Site (Allan Chan), Orange Beauty (Edwin Mok) and Lombard (M. J. Pritchard) have shown much in morning gallops and should provide a spirited challenge for premier honours in the opener of the two-day race meeting.

SECOND RACE

(Powerstown Handicap, First Section—One Mile)

It does not seem that any pony will have much trouble in finding the winner of that race if one remembers the easy manner in which Tumbleweed (Lau Chun-fai) led the field the last time out over the two-mile post, only to be beaten in the last 100 yards by Full-of-Spirit and Courtney.

With champion jockey K. Kwok on its pilot, it is difficult to foresee any other pony but

Judging from that performance, Tumbleweed (K. Kwok) will have practically everything its own way, though Full-of-Spirit (T. H. Yau) has been doing well in morning gallops.

Courtney (M. A. C. Roza) has been knocking at the door for some time now and with a little luck at the start could bring home the first prize.

An excellent outsider for this event is Snowy (H. K. Chuang).

THIRD RACE

(Powerstown Handicap, First Section—Six Furlongs)

Hawaiian Moon (H. K. Hung) certainly disappointed the last time out, but should make amends in this six-furlong sprint despite being matched against such speedsters as Hurricane Mill (A. Travers), Emperor Delight (C. F. Ng), Attractive Power (M. Samuels) and Sultan (Robert Tsui).

However, the draw for positions will play an important role in deciding the eventual winner and any one of the above-mentioned ponies could lead the way home without unduly exerting itself—should it get off to a flying start from a good position.

FOURTH RACE

(Powerstown Handicap, First Section—One Mile)

With champion jockey K. Kwok on its pilot, it is difficult to foresee any other pony but

Cesar passing the winning post first.

Fenchurch (M. J. Pritchard) is rounding into form very nicely and perhaps it will reacquaint itself with the judges.

Flaming Wheel (A. Ostromoff) and Hylamor (Robert Tsui) are two ponies which are maintaining top form, while Emerald (C. L. Liu) has not lost any of its fitness since placing third on the second day of the First Race Meeting.

FIFTH RACE

(Leopardstown Handicap, Six Furlongs)

Class A 1950 ponies will contest this event and among the entries which have impressed during morning gallops are Princess Ellen (H. K. Chung), Easy Win (Robert Tsui), Amethyst (A. Ostromoff) and Orange Beauty (Edwin Mok).

The first-named pony is about the fittest of the four and over this distance ought to be able to outlast the opposition.

Easy Win's chances are slightly hampered by top weight, while Amethyst could win with a little luck.

For an outsider, I would take Orange Prize.

SIXTH RACE

(Powerstown Handicap, Second Section—One Mile)

The four ponies which will probably catch the judges' eyes in this race are Advancement (H. C. P. Liu), Not So Bad (W. M. Chung), Cornhill (M. J. Pritchard) and The Kangaroo (Albert Lam).

Like the was Advancement has been going during its training gallops and if it maintains that form it should have a good chance of winning here, but Not So Bad is not to be disregarded as this pony can move and the distance is more to its liking.

Cornhill and The Kangaroo are good over this distance and will be near at the finish.

SEVENTH RACE

(Powerstown Handicap, Second Section—Six Furlongs)

Flying Dutchman, with M. Samuels up, is the logical choice for this abbreviated sprint, but Good Girl (H. K. Chuang) will be there or thereabouts at the finish.

Silver Dahlia is another noted speedster and it could cause an upset with a good start.

Fel Chi (H. M. Botelho) is good as an outsider.

EIGHTH RACE

(Brighton Handicap, Second Section—One Mile)

The last event of the day will see a full field of 12 entries. There are many likely winners but I favour Supreme Command (Chan Fook) to take the major prize with Old Tyre (H. K. Hung) and All Gay (E. S. Wong) fighting out the second and third positions.

A pony which could cause an upset is Mercury (K. Kwok), and Huntington (P. Plumbly) is by no means out of the race.

Three Changes In Rhodesian XI

Livingstone, Rhodesia, Nov. 22. The MCC touring team will fly to Salisbury today to prepare for their return match against Rhodesia, starting on Friday.

Rhodesia have made three changes in their team which, earlier this week, lost to the MCC.

They have dropped J. Baldwin, the opening batsman, P. Winslow, and C. Wooler, bringing in Guy Barber, an all-rounder, Marshal Davies, an experienced left hand bat, and Colin Bland, a schoolboy batsman, aged 18, who fielded brilliantly as substitute at Bulawayo.

The team will be: D. Lewis, D. O'Connell, Jones, G. Barber, C. Duckworth, C. Land, M. Davies, P. Mansell, R. Coventry, Durnell, H. Paton and G. Lawrence, with D. Leather as twelfth man. —Reuter.

THE GAMBOIS

SHALL I WEAR MY NEW RED HAT? YES, DEAR.

BUT IF IT'S GOING TO RUIN ME? ALL TOOK A SPOT.

MY GIVE ONE'S TOO SHABBY.

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MISSING PEOPLE

BY BARRY ADOLPH

Cut this out and take it to the races tomorrow for your guidance

Probable Starters, Weights & Riders

Probable starters, weights and riders for tomorrow's Happy Valley race meeting are given below. This list is based on the most up-to-date information available. As an additional guide to form, the placings of the ponies in their last three starts will be found on the left hand side of their names.

2.00 p.m. Race 1. PROUDSTOWN HANDICAP, 1½ Miles, Novices, Class 7.

001 Good News (Rodney) 139 lbs. Star Liu.

002 Calypso (Rodney) 139 lbs. Andrew Lam.

003 Ever-glo (Tokonokoff) 139 lbs. Kwock.

004 Day Star (Krasnoproff) 147 lbs. Allan Chan.

005 Free Success (Chiang) 149 lbs. Hulse.

006 Orange Beauty (Sofronoff) 143 lbs. Edwin Mok.

007 Easy Blame (Metrevelly) 146 lbs. Robert Tsui.

008 New Love (Tokonokoff) 138 lbs. Horace Chan.

009 Marine Charger (Lam) 137 lbs. Robert Tsui.

010 Armament (Shui) 143 lbs. Joseph Lam.

Possible Acceptors: Winnie, Teal.

1.30 p.m. Race 2. POWERSTOWN HANDICAP (1st Section), 1 Mile, Class 8.

001 May Blowout (Noodi) 156 lbs. Samson.

002 Thanksgiving Day (Shui) 11. Wong.

003 Diamond Queen (Lam) 133 lbs. Teal.

004 Diamond Queen (Lam) 133 lbs. Andrew Lam.

005 Hawaitha (Rodney) 139 lbs. Ostromoff.

006 The Kangaroo (Metrevelly) 140 lbs. Teal.

007 Full-of-Spirits (Lam) 150 lbs. You.

008 Blondie (Sofronoff) 145 lbs. W. Wong.

009 Courtney (Metrevelly) 139 lbs. Samson.

010 My Pal (Lam) 149 lbs. Teal.

011 Snowy (Noodi) 140 lbs. Chung.

012 Tumbleweed (Metrevelly) 149 lbs. Kwock.

013 Sky Horse (Metrevelly) 144 lbs. Albert Lam.

014 Not So Bad (Metrevelly) 147 lbs. Chung.

015 Dreadnought (Rodney) 135 lbs. Alex Lam.

016 Valbride (Rodney) 135 lbs. Andrew Lam.

Possible Acceptors: Pot O'Gold, Fortune.

2.30 p.m. Race 3. FOLKESTON HANDICAP (1st Section), 1 Mile, Class 8.

001 Full-of-Spirits (Lam) 150 lbs. You.

002 Good Girl (Lam) 156 lbs. Chung.

003 Perfectability (Metrevelly) 155 lbs. K. F. Chan.

004 Emperor Delight (Noodi) 142 lbs. Chung.

005 Beloved (Tokonokoff) 149 lbs. Holman.

006 French Bean (Belokopoff) 149 lbs. Chung.

007 Peachums (Krasnoproff) 146 lbs. Ostromoff.

008 Straight Flash (Metrevelly) 149 lbs. Chung.

009 Attractive Power (Lam) 142 lbs. Samson.

010 Silver Dahlia (Perebooff) 139 lbs. Chung.

011 Air Power (Tokonokoff) 146 lbs. Star Liu.

012 Tell-me-more (A. S. Wong) 140 lbs. Wong.

Possible Acceptors: Pot O'Gold, Fortune.

5.00 p.m. Race 4. FOLKESTON HANDICAP (2nd Section), 6 Furlongs, Class 7.

001 Atomic Caesar (Noodi) 150 lbs. Chung.

002 Comet (Perebooff) 150 lbs. Chung.

003 Fei Chi (Krasnoproff) 150 lbs. Chung.

004 Good Girl (Lam) 156 lbs. Chung.

005 Perfectability (Metrevelly) 155 lbs. K. F. Chan.

006 Rebel II (S. H. Wong) 156 lbs. Robert Luk.

007 Invincible (Rodney) 149 lbs. Andrew Lam.

008 Flying Dutchman (Chew) 147 lbs. Travers.

009 King Rider (Tokonokoff) 143 lbs. Chung.

010 Old Tyre (Metrevelly) 143 lbs. Chung.

Possible Acceptors: Checkupun.

5.30 p.m. Race 5. BRIGHTON HANDICAP (2nd Section), 1 Mile, Class 8.

001 Mercury (Metrevelly) 150 lbs. Chung.

002 Supreme Command (Lam) 150 lbs. Chung.

003 Fei Chi (Krasnoproff) 150 lbs. Chung.

004 Good Girl (Lam) 156 lbs. Chung.

005 Perfectability (Metrevelly) 155 lbs. K. F. Chan.

006 Rebel II (S. H. Wong) 156 lbs. Robert Luk.

007 Invincible (Rodney) 149 lbs. Andrew Lam.

008 Flying Dutchman (Chew) 147 lbs. Travers.

009 King Rider (Tokonokoff) 143 lbs. Chung.

010 Old Tyre (Metrevelly) 143 lbs. Chung.

Possible Acceptors: Checkupun.

5.45 p.m. Race 6. BRIGHTON HANDICAP (1st Section), 1 Mile, Class 4.

001 Beautiful Life (A. S. Wong) 150 lbs. Chung.

002 Oscar Prize (Shui) 168 lbs. C. W. Wong.

003 Flaming Wheel (Krasnoproff) 149 lbs. Chung.

004 Bright Bay (Lam) 147 lbs. Chung.

005 Fieldmaster (Shui) 141 lbs. Chung.

006 Hylamor (S. H. Wong)

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

SHARES NEAR 1956 LOW

SLIGHT FALL DURING WEEK

STEADIER MARKET AT THE CLOSE

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Up went the T/T end of the seesaw towards the end of this week and down came the Stock Exchange end. But at last night's close movements on both the gold and the share markets suggested a slight change.

There seemed to be a steadier tendency in shares following the Tuesday-Wednesday droop.

Whether this will lead to anything, today's sales will tell. But this flattening trend stopped the rot and enabled the market to show much interest in Banks yielding an equivalent in or even a slightly higher rate.

Unions are also down this week - \$12.50. They have dropped £2 in a fortnight to £58 in London, but I see they are now back to £59. The reason for this fall is probably also London market movements.

T/T touched a peak of \$6.50 yesterday before closing at \$6.40 which was also the day's opening rate. On Wednesday the closing rate was \$6.4754.

No Selling Pressure

The \$30 fall in Banks, the \$12.50 fall in Unions and the fall in Telephones and Trams brought the market to the lowest level since March 23, according to my calculations—just fractionally below last week's closing rates.

It has been rather a gloomy week again but investors can draw solace from the fact that London and New York have been much more dismal.

At least there has been little or no selling pressure here which would have pulled prices down considerably in the present listless conditions.

Here is an authoritative Teeside Street account on the week's business which is given exclusively to this column:

"The Stock Exchange continues to be dominated by the international situation and signs of sentiment improving at the beginning of the week were, unfortunately, shortlived.

Bargain Levels?

Further uncertainty led to a more cautious attitude and this persisted throughout the remainder of the week with a gradual falling off in the volume of business transacted.

"Under these conditions prices have tended to drift fractionally lower where changed. In fact, certain issues are approaching levels which may prove sufficient to induce some investment buying."

"In the Wheelock group, Wheelocks, Reitels and Yumatums are yielding over 11 per cent. Banks are yielding about 5 per cent and Dairy Farms over 10 per cent."

Turnover this week is \$3,229 million. Last week it was just below \$2 million.

Banks Fall—Why

In the Utility group—traditionally the market leaders—Yumatums, the two Lights and Electrics are higher, though below the week's highs. Yesterday Trams kept steady at \$22.40, Yumatums at \$100. Lights at \$22.30, news at \$22.80. Electrics were a quarter higher on the day at \$30.40 though an old lot of 84 which might have been difficult to sell. Telephones fell 20 cents to \$23.50.

Yumatums, which have been selling at \$101 earlier in the week, sank back to \$100. Recent weakness in these shares has been due to the gradual dispersal of a large individual holding.

Banks have been very sick recently, but this has been entirely due to the falls on the London Stock Exchange.

If you care to work it out you will notice a big difference between Hongkong and London register shares. "Hongkong" yesterday were \$1,665. In London, Banks are quoted at about £80 1/2 or about \$1,684—\$181 lower than the local shares.

Gilt Yield More

This gap fluctuates between about \$50 and \$150. Because there is such a wide difference now we are witnessing an evening up tendency. Basically what has happened is that London registers have fallen much more than local registers.

To understand why let's take a look at Bank's competition in London.

Banks don't buy that 3 1/2 per cent. War Loans are yielding a net of 5 per cent. Transport three over four per cent, Consols two-and-a-half, five per cent, and Consols four, about five per cent.

★ The Share Market At A Glance ★

	Oct 5	Nov 1	Nov 8	Nov 15	Nov 22	Up or down
HK Banks	1030	1020a	1010	1005	1005	-10
Lombard	42 1/4	42	42a	42a	42a	steady
Union	1000	980	990b	980nxd.	97 1/2	-12.50
Underwriters	8.80	8.80n	8.80n	8.80n	8.80n	steady
Union Y-boat	23.00	24.00n	23.50n	23.50n	23.50n	steady
Wheelocks	7.05	6.85	6.70	6.55	6.50	-5c
HK Wharf	90	88	90b	88b	89b	+1c
HK Docks	45 1/2	45 1/2	44	44a	44n	steady
Provident	13.90	13.90n	13.80	13.80n	13.80n	-30c
HK Hotels	15.10	14.40n	14.80	14.80	14.80	+10c
HK Lands	64	63 1/2	63	61 1/2	61 1/2	steady
Humphreys	14.30	14.30n	14.10n	14.10n	14.10n	steady
HK Realty	1.425n	1.35nxd.	1.35b	1.35	1.25b	-10c
HK Trams	23.50	23s	22.50	22.40	22.40	-10c
Star Ferry	14 1/2	14 1/2n	14 1/2n	14 1/2n	14 1/2n	steady
Yumatums	107	102n	104	99 1/2	100	+50c
Co. Lights (o)	24.00	23.70	23.00	23.20	23.30	+10c
Ch. Lights (n)	24.20	23	23.00n	22.80n	22.90	+10c
Electric	31 1/2	30 1/2	31	30	30 1/2	+25c
HK Telephone	25.10	25.00	24.40	24n	23.50	-50c
G.I. Cement	38 1/2	36 1/2	38	36 1/2	36 1/2	+25c
Dairy Farm	15.10	14.30	14.70	14.10	14.20	+10c
A.S. Watson	13.80n	12.00	13.60	13.20	13.20	steady
Lane Crawford	29.40n	29.40	29.40n	29.40	29.40	steady
Yangtze	6.05n	6.05n	6s	5.80	5.80	steady
Allied	4.657b	5n	4.90n	5s	4.05n	steady
HK & FE Inv	10.50s	10.40n	10.40n	10.10n	10n	-10c
Textile Corp	4.35s	4.15	4.10b	4.10n	4.05n	-5c
Nanyang	7.50n	7.50n	7.50n	7.50n	7.50n	steady

TODAY'S SHARE PRICES

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$344,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares Buyers Sellers Sales

BANKS HK Bank 1550 40 1500

East Asia 240 240

SHIPPING

Wheelocks 6.25 1.00 1000 n 81s

" 1.15

DOCKS, ETC

K. Wharf 28 1/2 92

Prov. (o) 43 13

1870 n 13

LAND, ETC

14 1/2 14.00

HK Land 60 1/2 61

200 n 61 1/2

Realty 1.25

RUBBER

Amalg. 1.42 1.475

Trust 1.625 1.675

7220 n 1.025

224 n 1.00

UTILITIES

Yumatums 99 1/2 101

248 n 99 1/2

100 n 100

C. Light (o) 23.20 20 1/2

C. Light (n) 22.00 23.10

Electric 30 1/2 30 1/2

Telephone 23.50

" (o) 23.50

INDUSTRIALS

Cement 30 1/2 37 1/2

Hops 13 13.40

STORES, ETC

Dairy 14.20

Watson 13

COTTONS

Nanyang 7 1/2

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local

unofficial exchange market this

morning at the following rates:

Sterling notes (per £1) 16.10

Australian notes (per £1) 12.67

Indonesian rupiah (per 100) 10.75

Straits dollar (per 100) 27.50

Singapore (Straits) 1.80

Santiago, Nov. 22.

The director of the Chilean State Transport

Company said yesterday he is very satisfied with

the efficient operation of the 300 giant Japanese

buses purchased this autumn.

Each of these vehicles, bought

from the Mitsubishi Fuso Motor

Company of Japan at a total

cost of \$6,030,000, seats 100

passengers and is authorised to

accommodate 20 standing passengers.

Returns Up

The Japanese firm made the

soil after outbidding German,

British and American bus companies.

It had previously sold 300 conventional type buses to

Chile, but this time the

condition Chile could not meet.

Ernesto de la Fuente, who is

director of the State Transport

Company, said that the economic

returns from the 100-passenger

buses is about 60 per cent

greater than the 60-passenger

capacity buses purchased earlier.

However, he noted that the

buses had had "some bad luck"

in actual operation. They are

very rapid, and of light construction and several have suffered crashes and collisions. He attributed these mishaps to in-

sufficient brake adjustments and also to the inexperience of Chile drivers with large buses.

He explained that in the bid

the British company was

eliminated first, the German

firm, Mann, was unable to give

payment terms satisfactory to

Chile and, besides, their vehicles

were too heavy and did not have

the desired type of automatic

gear shift.

The US Mack Company

actually made the best offer, he

